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OUTLINES

Proceedings in Congress yesterday—Financial matters discussed in the Senate; District of Columbia affairs in the House. —— Death of an old and well-known Methodist minister. —— Chicago grain and provision market. —— Death of Gen. J. N. Bethune, who was the owner of Blind Tom. —— Southern Railway Co.—Conference between officers and employes. —— Order of the Iron Hall—Funds of the Order in Maryland sent to Indianapolis for distribution. —— The bond issue—The syndicate depositing gold at the New York Sub-Treasury. —— Washington News—The House Ways and Means Committee to report a resolution for the issue of gold bonds. —— Fatal gas explosion in a town in Pennsylvania—One killed and three injured. —— The war in the East—The Chinese Admiral arranging for surrender of the fleet and forts at Wei-Hai-Wei. —— A son of Marshal Canrobert has a duel with a member of the French Chamber of Deputies. —— Cotton spots and futures. —— Knights of Labor—The miners' committee unable to reach an agreement. —— Fire in a cotton cargo —An important discovery at New Orleans that may explain the cause of many mysterious fires on cotton-laden ships leaving that and other ports. —— Hampton Roads covered with floating ice—The telephone cable to Norfolk broken. —— All the buoys on the bar at Beaufort, N. C., out of place. —— B'Nai Brith—Reports of officers showing condition of the order. —— Annual meeting of the stockholders of the Tobacco Trust. —— Fire at Columbus, Ohio—One of the oldest buildings in the city burned yesterday. —— New York markets: Money on call was quoted to-day at 1@2 per cent., with last loan at 1½ per cent; cotton dull; middling gull 5⅞ cents; middling uplands 5⅝ cts; Southern flour dull but steady; common to fair extra $1.90@2.75; good to choice do. $2.80@3.95 wheat dull and firm; No. 2 red in store and at elevator 56¾ cents; afloat 58½ cents; corn dull and firmer; No. 2 at elevator 48¾ cents; afloat 49¼ cents; spirits turpentine dull and firm at 31@31½ cents bid; rosin quiet and steady; strained common to good $1.35@1.40.

The county of Mecklenburg now has, according to the Charlotte *Observer*, thirty-one miles of macademized roads, constructed by convict labor.

The Chinese call Gen. Yamaji, the great fighting Japanese General, the "One-Eyed Demon," because he makes 'em scoot like Old Harry when he's around.

The cold snap in the North has about knocked the bottom out of the fish and oyster business and both of these articles are becoming rare enough to be classed as luxuries.

Last year the number of deaths from grip in New York, reported by the Board of Health was 3,000; in 1887 there were five epidemics of grip, the total deaths numbering 30,000.

The New York Assembly has passed a bill prohibiting sparring matches in that State. If this bill passes the Senate the sparrers will have to move that industry over into Jersey.

Hon. Thos. B. Reed, of Maine, is a subject for sympathy. He has a rough time trying to straddle on the financial question and so perform as not to damage his little Presidential boom.

The richest man in the U. S. House of Representatives is worth $15,000,000. He is from Ohio, and his name is Paul Sorg. He's got the sorghum, sugar, rocks, or words to that effect.

California is poking fun at this side and bragging about her delightful weather. Never mind, they will be shaken up with some earthquakes over there after awhile and then we'll get our revenge.

A Minnesota man makes the encouraging reminder that the winter of 1865 was very much like the present winter, little or no snow till February, and then rattling big crops when harvest time came.

The sanitary arrangements in the city of Pekin, China, are so poor, it is predicted that with coming warm weather a pestilence will be very apt to follow the massing of large bodies of troops in and around it.

President Valentine, of the Wells-Fargo Express Company, says the United States produced last year $45,802,000 worth of gold, $11,000,000 more than in 1893, which produced the largest amount in twenty-five years.

The Chinese armies in Manchuria are said to number 175,000 men to 40,000 of the Japanese. But the Japs do not seem to attach much importance to the number of Chinese and go through a large number about as easily as they would a small one.

The Legislature of Kansas has appropriated $100,000 to buy seed grain for farmers and food for hungry people, to be divided equally. In some of the border counties the drought was so severe that many of the farmers didn't harvest grain enough for seed.

There is Minnesota man who one wishes his wife couldn't talk. She would talk and wasn't all the time particular about the quality of her speech. She slandered a neighbor, who recovered $5,000 damages and that poor man had to plank down the cash.

J. R. Slaton, of Bullock county, Ga., is said to have cleared $13,000 on watermelons last year, and didn't have to foot any of the doctors' bills, either.

Chauncey M. Depew's ideal woman is not a "great talker." That was Rip Van Winkle's ideal woman, too. In fact, Rip preferred them dumb.

A Chicago man has made a corner on the egg market. Chicago men are always hatching up some devilment.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Y. M. C. A. HALL—Belle Boyd.
OPERA HOUSE—Robert Mantell.
D. O'CONNOR—Real estate agent.

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— The tug *Marion* arrived last night from Charleston S C.

— There is great suffering among many of the poor of the city, who are without fuel and scantily clad.

— Spirits turpentine sold yesterday at 29 cents per gallon. The Savannah market was quiet at the same price; no sales reported. Charleston, 27 cents; no receipts.

— The box-sheet for the engagement of Robert Mantell in "Monbars," at the Opera House on next Monday, the 18th, will open to-morrow (Friday) morning at Yates'.

— The cold weather and snow have retarded shipments of country produce, and prices have consequently advanced. Eggs are selling at retail at 25 cents per dozen, dressed fowls 30 to 40 cents apiece.

— The break in the fire-alarm, south circuit, was repaired yesterday and the system is now in good working order, even the Fourth street market house bell; but how long it will be before the latter goes on another tear is a question.

— The bill introduced in the House of Representatives by Mr. McClammy to exempt active firemen from payment of city poll tax meets with the hearty approval of the firemen and their friends, both white and colored. After all, it is but small recompense for the valuable services they render, and no doubt the bill will pass without opposition.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Mr. J. W. Springs, of Selma, N. C., was a visitor in the city yesterday.

— Mr. H. A. Jarman, of Jacksonville, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. J. D. Swinson, of Wallace, was a visitor at the STAR office yesterday.

— Mr. J. E. Sharp, of Mebane, and J. H. Lewis, of Hamlet, were in the city yesterday.

— L. W. Springs, Salem; E. D. Kyle, Greensboro, N C.; W. C. Dodson, W. A. Roberson, J. G. Sergeant, Fayetteville, were among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

THE WEATHER.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU. WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 13.

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature: 8 a. m., 25°, 8 p. m 33° maximum, 28°; min mum, 23°; mean, 26°

Rainfall for the day .01; rainfall for the month up to date 1.07 inches.

FORECASTS FOR TO-DAY.

For Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina, fair, warmer, west winds.

Exports Foreign.

Norwegian barque *Kalstadt* cleared yesterday for Gais on Dock, Eng., with 3 283 barrels rosin and 1,000 barrels tar. Shipped by Messrs. Paterson, Downing & Co.

British schooner *Preference* cleared for San Domingo with 147,000 feet rough and 108 000 feet dressed lumber, Shipped by Messrs. Fore & Foster.

COTTON FACTS AND FIGURES.

— Net receipts at the ports 20,969 bales; stock, 988 619.

— Receipts here yesterday, 404 bales; same day last year, 105.

— Spot cotton dull in New York at 5⅝c for middling; dull in Wilmington at 5 cents.

— New York futures closed dull and one and two points higher than closing prices Tuesday; February opened at 5.38 and closed 5.41; March, 5.43 and closed 5.45; April, 5.46 and closed 5.49, May, 5.51 and closed 5 54; June, 5 55 and closed 5 58; July, 5 58 and closed 5 61; August, 5 63 and closed 5 65; September, 5 67 and closed 5.71; October, 5.74 and closed 5.77, November, 5.79 and closed 5.82.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—206 bales cotton, 1 bbl crude turpentine.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—196 bales cotton, 87 bbls tar.

C. F. & Y. V. R. R.—2 bales cotton, 11 bbls tar.

Steamer Lisbon—100 bbls rosin.

McLauchlin's raft—937 bbls rosin.

Parker's raft—880 bbls rosin.

Total receipts.—Cotton, 404 bales; rosin, 1,417 bbls; tar, 88 bbls; crude turpentine, 1 bbl.

COLD WEATH R CONTINUES.

Temperature Below the Freezing Point—Snow and Sleet Disappearing—Fair and Warmer Weather Expected.

Under the warm rays of the sun yesterday some of the snow and sleet disappeared, yet at nightfall the shady side of streets was still covered and the trees and electric wires were glittering with ice.

The temperature was below the freezing point. At 8 a. m. at the Weather Bureau station 23 degrees was the record and at 6 p. m. the same. The maximum temperature during the day was only 28 degrees.

The local forecast was for fair weather till Sunday night, with slowly rising temperature.

The Weather Bureau reported that the storm which was central off the Carolina coast and in Northern Florida Tuesday morning moved rapidly up the Atlantic coast to New England, passing this station on the south side Tuesday afternoon. It was mild in character, the highest winds reported in its path being 36 miles at Hatteras, with brisk wind at Norfolk. Considerable rain and snow has fallen in its path, however, and it was still snowing in New York yesterday morning. The movement of this low area over the eastern sections of the country caused a slight rise in the temperature in the northeast; but the high pressure, following it from the west, is causing falling temperature in the south and southeast, the greatest falls being observed from North Carolina to southern Florida; slight rises are noted in the west and northwest, the greatest in Minnesota, with only slight changes or stationary temperature elsewhere. Snow has fallen in nearly all sections east of the Mississippi river and north of Florida, the heaviest reported being in North Carolina and eastern Virginia.

Y. M. C. A. Anniversary.

There was a rehearsal last night of those who are to make the music for the anniversary of the Y. M. C. A. next Friday night. This will probably be one of the pleasantest occasions ever held in the building. The reports will all be written and very brief, so no one need expect to get tired. Another pleasant thing, too, there will be no collection. To be sure the Association needs money, and a strong and convenient box will be put in the reception room so that any one so disposed may drop in a free will offering, a check or a pledge. But nobody will be watched to see if he gives it the go-by. Last year $44 63 was put in the anniversary box.

County Commissioners.

The Board of Commissioners of New Hanover county met in called session yesterday. Present, Commissioner H. A Burg (chairman), B. G. Worth and Jas. C. Stevenson.

Sheriff F. H. Sedman made report in settlement of taxes for the year 1894, and received a receipt in full. The amounts paid for the county were: General fund, $36,781 16; special fund, $9,416 54; school fund, $26,284.88. Total, $61 983 58.

After drawing jurors for the March term of the Criminal Court, the Board adjourned.

Belle Boyd To-Night.

The entertainment to be presented by Bell Boyd to night at Y. M. C. A. hall, is not a dull, wearisome lecture, but a dramatic narrative of absorbing interest. The Goldsboro *Argus* says: "There is not a dull moment from the time Belle Boyd first appears until the close. Persons having the opportunity and failing to hear Belle Boyd do themselves an injustice."

NEWBERN FAIR.

Some of the Attractions that Will be Offered Visitors.

The Newbern Fair begins next week. The managers are sparing no pains to make the Fair deserve what has been said by the visitors of the preceding ones, that the last was always better than any held before, and the best ever held in the State.

The Legislature has been invited and there is a possibility that it will attend the Fair in a body.

The hotel and boarding house accommodations will be ample.

The Newbern Silver Cornet Band will render good music during the Fair.

Accommodations are being prepared for nearly double the amount of poultry that was shown last year. The building of another house 20 by 60 feet for the shelter of additional poultry coops is a part of the work now in progress.

In the fish building a big improvement is being made by the construction of a cemented reservoir nearly as large as an average sized room and two feet deep. This will be filled by pipes with water and will have an overflow so as to keep it constantly fresh and as it will be placed fish and other inhabitants of the water—possibly a few baby alligators. It will be fixed up to present as near a resemblance to nature as possible, shrubbery on the banks and shells and sand on the bottom. The fish building, always one of the most attractive parts of the fair, will be made still more so by this improvement. It will be lit up by electric lights in the water.

During Fair week there will be two balls held. The first will be a german on Wednesday night, the other a marshal's ball on Friday night. They will both be in the court house. A fine band has been secured for each occasion and other preparations made that guarantee success.

The Grace Shannon Company, which gave such magnificent ascensions and parachute leaps last year, has been secured again for that feature.

There will be plenty of attractions and amusements. Some very good ones have been secured and others will be.

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STATE LEGISLATURE.

MR. G Z FRENCH PRECIPITATES A SENSATION IN THE HOUSE.

With a Resolution Concerning the Six Per Cent. Interest Bill—The Committee in Charge of the Bill Denounce the Intimation of Bad Faith as Emanating from Liars and Scoundrels—An Interesting Session of the Educational Committee.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 13.

SENATE.

The Senate was called to order at 11 o'clock to-day by President Doughton and prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Daniel.

Mr Cook introduced a bill to change the name of the Great Falls Water Power Company to the Roanoke Company.

Mr Marshall, a bill to attach Yadkin county to the Eighth Congressional District.

Mr Bellamy, a bill to allow Mary Brantly to sue the North Carolina Insane Asylum.

Mr Hubert, a bill to place the name of James W. Humbar, of Cherokee county on the pension roll.

Mr Hoover, a bill to provide for an insurance law for the State of North Carolina.

Bill to authorize the Commissioners of Hyde county to levy a special tax, passed third reading.

Bill to authorize Mecklenburg county and the city of Charlotte to purchase the fair grounds, was taken up and Mr Dowd explained the bill. It provided that the county of Mecklenburg should furnish $500 for premiums for the fair and that the State Treasurer should pay $500 when this amount was raised.

Mr Paddison offered an amendment striking out the part which provides for a State appropriation. Mr Moody spoke in favor of the bill and said that the State would get value received for the small amount appropriated. Mr Hamrick said it was necessary to economize as much as possible. Mr Moody asked him if he did not think the best kind of economy was to spend money in judicious ways so that more money would come out of it. Mr Hamrick answered in the affirmative. Mr Fowler spoke against the bill and said if it passed he would ask for $500 for his own fair. Mr Cook offered an amendment that $500 be appropriated to the Warren County Agricultural Association. Mr Starbuck said the passage of the bill would be a bad precedent. Mr Mewborne opposed the bill. Mr Dowd explained that it was not a Mecklenburg county fair but a Western North Carolina fair.

The amendment offered by Mr Cook was defeated.

Mr Hamrick offered an amendment that $500 be withdrawn from the State Fair and appropriated to the Mecklenburg Fair. Mr White, of Perquimans, offered an amendment to appropriate $500 to the Perquiman's Fair. At this point Mr Dowd moved to re-refer the bill, and the motion prevailed.

The bill to appropriate $3,500 to the Lindsley Training School for fallen women at Asheville was next taken up, and Mr Franks moved to postpone the bill. Mr Moody expressed the hope that the Senate would consider the bill at once. He said this thing of economy must be exercised in a proper and judicial way, and in a way to maintain the dignity and standing of the State.

Bill to establish a system of public roads in Madison county passed third reading.

Bill to incorporate the town of Leggett passed third reading.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

House met at 10 o'clock, the Speaker in the chair. Prayer by Rev L Branson, of the city.

PETITIONS AND REPORTS.

Mr Winborne, petition of citizens of Oboskee, Bertie county, against repeal of the liquor law.

Mr Finch, petition of citizens of Chimney Rock against the turnpike from Henderson county line to Hickory Nut Gap.

The Chair laid before the House papers in the election cases of Newsom vs Winborne and Parker vs Peebles.

RESOLUTIONS AND BILLS.

Mr Crumpler, resolution to reduce certain salaries 20 per cent.

Mr White, of Bladen, petition of citizens of White Oak township to incorporate Shiloh Church in Bladen county.

Mr Woodard, bill to correct land grant 671.

Mr Wooten, bill to prohibit fish traps in Neuse river.

Mr Abbott, bill to prohibit sale of liquor near Vandermeer Academy, in Pamlico county.

Mr Bean, bill to incorporate the town of Worthville, in Randolph county.

Mr Alexander, bill to protect deer and partridges in Tyrrell county.

Mr Norman, bill to change the line between the counties of Surry and Wilkes.

Mr Winborne, bill to amend section 1816 of the Code.

Mr Lusk bill to amend chapter 48 Laws of 1893. Relates to killing wild animals in Buncombe, Madison, Mitchell and Yancey.

Mr Ellis, bill to amend section 2186 of the Code. Relates to the election of Commissioner of Agriculture.

Mr Hooker, bill to establish a graded school in Washington, Beaufort county.

Mr Currie, bill to incorporate the Peoples' Fire Insurance Company.

Mr Huffman, bill to amend the charter of Morganton.

Mr Burnham, bill concerning the attendance of children upon public schools.

Mr Walker, bill to amend chapter 48, Laws 1876-7.

Mr Phillips, of Randolph, bill in regard to sale of liquor near Neighbor's Grove Church.

Mr Lee, bill to amend charter of Waynesville.

Mr Burnham, bill to amend chapter 127 Laws 1885.

Mr. Thomas, bill to change time of holding courts in the Twelfth Judicial District.

Mr Duffy, bill in regard to fast driving over bridges in Carteret and Onslow counties.

Mr Mayer, bill to amend chapter 375, Laws of 1893.

Mr Reinhardt, bill for the relief of J W Manly, of Lincoln county.

Mr Currie, bill to prevent dumping sawdust into Drowning Creek, Moore county.

Mr White, bill to incorporate Elizabethtown in Bladen county.

Mr Harris, bill to amend the charter of Gastonia.

Mr Henderson, bill to attach Yadkin county to the Eighth Congressional district.

Mr McCall, bill to charter the Charlotte Street Railway Company.

Mr Bean, bill to incorporate Cedar Falls M P Church in Randolph county.

BILLS ON THEIR PASSAGE.

The bill to provide for working the public roads of Buncombe county was taken up and passed its third reading, with two amendments of Mr Lusk, one providing for the appointment of an inspector of prisons, and the other requiring witnesses to the infliction of corporal punishment.

The bill to compel county commissioners to accept the surety of guarantee companies, passed its third reading.

Bill to credit the public school fund with the balance of the direct tax money in the State Treasury was taken up and a long debate ensued. An amendment of Mr Ray for a pro rata distribution according to school population was accepted and then a motion to re-refer the bill, which motion was defeated by a vote of 75 to 16.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

The sensation of the day in the Legislature was precipitated in the House this afternoon in connection with a resolution which was introduced this morning instructing the Judiciary Committee to report to-morrow morning on the six per cent. interest bill. This created no comment until, later in the day, Mr. French introduced a resolution that no reflection upon the committee was intended by the first resolution. This aroused the indignation of members of the Judiciary Committee, and Messrs. Lusk, Ewart and others denounced it in bitter terms and threatened to resign as members of the committee. Mr. Lusk declared that any intimation of bad faith on the part of the committee emanated from liars and scoundrels. The storm raged till in the midst of it a motion to adjourn prevailed. It was decidedly the most sensational scene of the session, and it is said to night that members of the committee may resign.

At a meeting of the committee this afternoon it was ordered that the six per cent. bill be reported back to the House without any recommendation whatever.

At a meeting of the Educational Committee this afternoon, Hon. John C. Scarborough, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and Major S. M. Finger, ex-Superintendent, made vigorous and explicit denials of charges made against them by W. J. Peele, a lawyer of this city, that they were unduly favorable to the books of the University Publishing Company for the public schools of the State. Peele is the attorney of Ginn & Co., an opposition publishing concern, and made the charges yesterday before a meeting of the Educational Committee.

Jurors For the Criminal Court.

Jurors for the March term of the Criminal Court were drawn yesterday as follows: A. Shrier, P. R. Fowler, John L. Corbett, E. G. Yopp, Samuel Farrow, W. Hurst, A. B. Sandlin, G. W. Britt, M. H. Kelley, William Murray, George W. Chestnutt, T. C. Diggs, F. J. Dempsey, Jos. W. Keen, Isaac J. King, Marsden Greer, J R Burriss, W. A. Cornish, W H Millian, L. B. Brinkley, Geo. H. Ward, E. H. Moore, D E. Winstead, E L. Emett, R. W. Wallace, W. J. Clemmons, N. Paul, D. F. Klien, F. V. Woodcock, Wm. Hollis, Perry S. Murray, J. L. Calahan, J. A. Temple, Thomas D. Rittenhouse, I. J. Sternberger, D. McEachern.

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No. 44—In Durance Vile; By "The Duchess."
No. 43—Meeting Her Fate; By Miss M E Braddon.
No. 46—Hickory Hall; By Emma D E N Southworth.
No 40—The Heiress of Hilldrop; By Charlotte M Braeme, author of "Dora Thorne."
No. 35—Grandfather's Chair; By Nathaniel Hawthorne.
No. 33—The Surgeon's Daughter; by Sir Walter Scott.
No. 31—No Thoroughfare; By Charles Dickens and Wilkie Collins.
No. 29—The Wandering Heir; By Charles Reade.
No. 27—The Squire's Darling; By Charlotte M Braeme, author of "Dora Thorne."
No. 25—The Siege of Granada, By Sir E Bulwer Lytton.
No. 22—The Sea King; by Captain Marryat.
No. 20—Mr Gilfil's Love Story, By Geo Eliot.
No 19—The Armorer of Tyre; By Wyly Cobb, Jr.
No. 17—Black Rifle, or The Daughter of the Island, By Mrs Ann S Stephens.
No. 15—A Study in Scarlet; By A Conan Doyle.
No. 14—Nurse Revels Mistake; By Florence Warden
No. 13—The Black Tulip; by Alexander Lumas.
No. 11—The Belle of Lynn, or The Miller's Daughter; By Charlotte M Braeme, author of "Dora Thorne."
No. 8—The Black Dwarf; By Sir Walter Scott.
No. 5—Queen Margot; By Alex Dumas.
No. 4—King Solomon's Mines; By H Rider Haggard
No. 1—The Scarlet Letter; By Nathan'l Hawthorne

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, FEB. 14 1895

ANOTHER GREAT PROBLEM.

For the past quarter of a century the attention of the American people has been centered mainly upon the tariff and the financial questions as the two great issues in which they were as a people most interested. Year after year the two great parties, the Democratic and the Republican party, were arrayed against each other and fought the tariff fight; year after year the Democratic party was defeated on that issue, to form in line and fight it over again, until finally it won and the day of high tariffs for protection's sake only passed away forever.

In the meantime the financial question has been assuming greater and greater proportions until that has become *the* question upon which the attention of the American people is or soon will be centered. It may or it may not take as many years to settle this question as it did to settle the tariff question, for it has got into that particular shape that it will be an exceedingly difficult one to settle, in some respects much more difficult than the tariff was. It is a question which has become much complicated by the growth of features which did not exist a generation ago. Then the Government concerned itself simply with the coining of the gold and silver presented at the mints for coinage, and there was free and practically unlimited coinage of both without discrimination for or against either. Now the Government has taken upon itself the function of supplying the money of the country, part of it direct, and part of it through the agency of national banks, which are its proteges, and indirectly auxiliaries of the Treasury of the United States. The Government is in silent partnership with them, and is their endorser, but reaps none of the profits.

Then the State banks supplied the people with all the paper currency they needed, and no one ever thought of asking the Congress of the United States to do anything to either increase or decrease the volume of the currency. The people attended to that themselves, and each State passed the laws that regulated the volume of its currency.

Now this is all changed and Congress and the political arena have become the battle grounds where every question touching upon the finances is fought over, but not fought from a financial as much as from a partisan standpoint. This is another reason why the question has become a still more complicated one, because the leaders of parties are not influenced so much by their own judgment and honest convictions as by their opinions as to the effect that the adoption of a certain policy might have on the future of the party to which they belong.

It will be eventually, as the tariff was, a sectional question, and will be fought pretty much on sectional lines, but these lines will be differently drawn. The tariff was a sectional question the dividing line being that which ran between the North and the South, the North being at one time almost solid for high tariff, with a view to the protection of our industries; the South being as solid for low tariff and for letting the industries take care of themselves.

The lines on the financial issue will be drawn so as to embrace the Southern States East of the Mississippi river, and the Southern and Western States West of the Mississippi, on one side and the States North of the Ohio river, and East of the Mississippi embracing the Central Western, the Middle and the New England States on the other, or in other words, about twenty-eight States on one side, to sixteen on the other. But these sixteen represent a very large proportion of the wealth of the country. They contain the great money and trade centers, they are populous and some of them have a more potent representation in the Congress than a half dozen of the more sparsely settled of the twenty-eight. In the Senate the small State has as mighty a voice as the large one, but when it comes to the House, New York with her thirty four votes, and Pennsylvania with her twenty-eight, and Ohio with her twenty one, can drown the voices of a dozen moderately populated State. New York alone could out-vote three North Carolinas.

If the National banks were not in it, if they were no factor, if it were a square fight between silver and gold the issue could be very easily decided, but they are not only a factor but a mighty one, highty enough to have a potent voice in Congress, and representetives there to contest every inch of ground where they are interested. In these days when money is so powerful, if not omnipotent, in politics the money bags make themselves heard and felt, as they are to day and have for years been making themselves heard and felt in shaping the policies of this Republic.

The skirmishing in this financial war has been going on for years, but the lines are now being formed for the battles that are to decide whether it is the few or the many who are going to dictate the financial policies of the Republic. For years the few have, the assertive, the aggressive, the mighty few, and it may be years before the many triumph, but triumph they will, for Westward and Southward the star of empire is taking its way, and the day is coming when they will be numerically strong enough to dictate as they have been dictated to.

MINOR MENTION.

Sir Wm. Harcourt presented some figures in the British House of Commons Tuesday to show that the cotton manufacturing industry is not in a depressed, but on the contrary, in a prosperous condition in England. The remarkable statement is made that the exports of cotton piece goods last year amounted to 660,000,000 yards more than in 1893, while the imports of raw material were 374,000,000 pounds over 1893, which were 18,000 pounds above the average for the last fifteen years. This showing is made in the face of the fact that cotton manufacturing has increased considerably in this country, especially in the South, and also in some other countries, especially Russia, which is directing her attention to growing her own cotton. How did England do this? There must have been some more than ordinary effort made to export the large increase of goods stated by Sir Wm. Harcourt. Most of the cotton out of which these goods were made were imported from this country, and yet England can buy our cotton, pay freight across the ocean, then freight on the manufactured goods, and yet command a practical monopoly of the cotton goods trade of the world. She can do this because she has her own ships, and her manufacturers have the benefit of free raw materials not only for the manufacture of their machinery, and also of free fuel, all of which save considerable in the matter of expense. If we expect to compete with England in the markets of the world we must put ourselves in the wayt o do it. We must have our own ships to do our carrying on the seas, and we must remove from the manufacturer every restriction that handicaps him in the effort to compete with the manufacturers of other countries.

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We commend the action of the State Senate in tabling the bill to allow Northern sporting clubs who have shooting grounds in Currituck county to purchase (at a nominal price) one hundred thousand acres of sound bottom for a hunting reservation. We don't propose to be narrow-minded about this thing, but we do not regard with favor the giving of exclusive privileges over land or water to those rich sporting clubs to the exclusion of other people. What the State or any one else, save the sportsmen, gain by this is not apparent, unless some benefit can be seen in parting with the possession of valuable property, and at the same time depriving our people of valuable privileges for a paltry sum of money. These sporting clubs have been buying shooting grounds over which they have control as any other property owner has of the property he possesses, and they ought to be content with that without trying to get possession of the earth and monopolize the fowl of the air and the fish of the seas. These gentlemen, some of whom gun for profit as well as for sport, come equipped to slaughter the game that may be lured within range and reach of their howitzers, for that's about what some of the guns used are. They slay ducks by the hundred, send them to the Northern markets and pocket the proceeds, while one of our own people couldn't go on one of these reservations and shoot a duck without their permission or running the risk of prosecution. A little of that thing will go a long way, and much of it isn't good.

The New York papers say that Miss Anna Gould is engaged sure enough this time, and to a French Count, who gets not only the girl and a proprietary interest in her $20,000,000, more or less, but a sure clinch on a $2,000,000 slice which is to be settled on him on the wedding day. He can settle down on that.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—If Senator Hawley really thinks "the Ten Commandments could not pass the Senate now" he need not despair on that account. There will be another session in the not distant future, and if he is earnest enough he may get them through as a rider on an appropriation bill—except, perhaps, the one saying "Thou shalt not steal."—*New York World, Dem.*

—The Democrats in Congress have not covered themselves with glory in the matter of financial legislation, but then, the Democrats in Congress have little political future to look forward to. The Hon. Thomas B. Reed, however, has suffered more than the Democrats in Congress, because he had more to lose. And it is very evident that within the last week he has lost a great deal. This is a time when a man cannot "trim" himself into the presidency on the money question. The next President of this country will be either fish, flesh or fowl; he will not be red herring.—*Louisville Courier Journal, Dem.*

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

—Lumberton *Robesonian*: Mrs. Ann Deas mother of James Deas of this town died last Sunday morning about 10 o'clock.

—Goldsboro *Argus*: The Goldsboro Cotton Mill has turned on steam and is running on partial time. It will run under full time and capacity as soon as the bad weather breaks.

—Raleigh *Visitor*: Governor Carr has received from Lula May Gill a ten year old girl of Laurinburg $4 80 for the Vance monument fund. The little girl collected the money herself.

—Hillsboro *Observer*: On Monday, January 28 h, while Mrs. Mike W Moore was riding in a buggy along the road near Mr James Gill's mill pond in Alamance county, the horse got scared and ran into the pond. Mrs. Moore jumped out of the buggy into shallow water and made her escape with a slight hurt. The horse and buggy went over the dam about eight feet high. The horse escaped without injury, while the buggy was a complete wreck.

—Rutherford *Democrat*: Mr. Jas. W. Davis, the county Superintendent of Public Instruction, dropped dead at Forest City this morning. —We learn from a reliable source that two young men had a fight in the upper part of the county some time ago, and in the fight one bit the other. The bitten man is now sick and shows pronounced symptoms of hydrophobia. —It was reported here this week that the three cows bitten by Mr. James McClure's dog, as we noted at the time, had died of hydrophobia, and that the sheep and hogs on Mrs Camp's place, on Green river, which were bitten by a dog supposed to have been rabid, had also gone mad.

—Raleigh *Press*: Mr. Eusah Shaw, founder of Shaw University, broke his leg just above the ankle last night. He fell on the ice while walking near the University, which resulted in the breaking of his leg. Mr. Shaw is a man advanced in years, being about 70 years of age and it is quite a serious accident with him. He and Mrs Shaw are from Massachusetts and had been stopping at the Yarborough for the past few weeks. —Mr. Zeke Lemay died at his home in Johnston county Saturday night under peculiar circumstances. He was at home and went out of the house to get a drink of water. Upon Mr. Lemay's return a few moments later, the members of the family perceived that something unusual had happened to him from the appearance of his countenance and the fact that he failed to answer inquiries. Upon examination it was found that his head was injured, in a fall from some very high steps which were covered with sleet. The presumption is that he slipped, striking his head against the ground, causing concussion of the brain, which resulted in death. He lived about an hour after the accident, but was never able to speak.

I WITNESS THAT.

—Poets are born, not made. The present state of the market wouldn't warrant their manufacture.—*Rogersville Review.*

—"De man dat lubs de soun' ob his own voice," said Uncle Eben, "has mos' often got mighty po'h taste."—*Richmond Star.*

—"I want a husband who's easily pleased."

"Well, dear, that's the kind you're sure to get."—*London Judy.*

—We could have endured ice on Galveston Bay, but think of those half-million quarts of strawberries frozen in Florida.—*Evening World.*

—Young man, a rich girl may think it's fun to economize for a chance, and a poor one may make the ducats fly. It's all a lottery, this marriage business, but it's worth trying.—*N Y Recorder.*

—Watts—What do you think of this idea that there are medicinal virtues in music?"

Pot s—I believe it. Lots of the new popular airs make me sick.—*Indianapolis Journal.*

—Photographer—You have had pictures taken before, I presume?

Nellie Cluck—Yes, sir.

"Who took them?

"That I can't find out. The police are now working on the case.—*Norristown Herald.*

—Mrs. Fio de Sickle—Who was it said "The hand that rocks the cradle is the hand that rules the world?"

Mrs. Swongmind—I don't know. But, anyway, no one pays any attention to anything said of the men nowadays.—*Puck*

—Customer (timidly)—I—er—suppose you have some—er—suitable books for a man about to—er—be married?

Head Clerk (promptly—Yes, sir; here Skigales, show this gentleman our line of largest sized pocketbooks.—*Buffalo Courier.*

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CUPID IN CHURCH CHOIRS.

Affinities Are Specially Discovered Therein and Matrimonial Sequels Results.

A man who sings "bass" in a church on Michigan avenue said the other day he knew of at least a half dozen serious affairs of the heart in progress in as many choirs on the South Side.

"I believe," he added, "that if statistics were obtainable on the subject it would be found that of single people who join church choirs a large proportion get married within a year than among an equal number of young people that might be selected anywhere else. A possible exception might be made of the operatic stage. Singing, even if it is about things celestial, sets the deepest of all earthly emotions going, and the hearts chord with each other just as voices do.

"If the singer doesn't discover an affinity in a fellow singer, it is pretty apt to be found in the congregation. If a woman has a sweet voice, a face to match and a figure to go with the other two attractions, she has the best possible opportunity for displaying them. The same principle applies to a handsome man.

"Sometimes there are sharp rivalries, of course, which result in musical duels between, say, the tenor and the basso, both of whom are smitten by the charms of some lady member of the choir. I don't know, however, that there has ever in real life come a tragedy out of such a set of conditions as we are told happened in the case of 'lovely Anna, the soprano,' who 'all the singers' hearts inspired.' The tenor, you know, went so high that he blew the top of his head off, and the basso sang so low he split the soles of both his feet. Anna mourned awhile for both these fellows—

"Then she wed the
Man who fed the
Kind into the
Organ bellows."

—Chicago Tribune.

EACH GIRL WORE COURT PLASTER.

And So the Youth Couldn't Tell Which Came Into His Room.

The young man who thinks he is going to come out ahead in any joke in which a girl of ordinary sharpness is involved is sure to find his mistake. It happened some time ago in a certain college that the dormitories of both the young lady and gentlemen students opened into the same hall.

One evening near midnight one of the girls, who had slipped out of her room to enjoy a secret chat with one of the other girls, was hurrying to her room, and in the dark mistook the room entering the room of one of the boys by mistake. He was standing by the gas jet, having just turned out the light, and when she had found the match which she carried in her pocket and started to light the gas she stumbled against him. Of course she screamed and started for the door, but he was too quick for her, and holding her a moment actually kissed her cheek in order that he might identify the young lady when next they met.

Of course her wrath knew no bounds, and when she finally reached her room she called an indignation meeting of the other girls and explained what the horrid fellow had presumed to do. She could never face him again and wasn't going to chapel in the morning. But then of course he would know who she was, and she appealed to the girls to help her out of the difficulty. They did.

The next morning when the girl students filed past the boys at devotional exercises in the chapel one wicked youth looked over the top of his testament only to see a procession of 12 girls, each having a long strip of black court plaster on her left cheek. He has never yet discovered which girl he bit.—Indianapolis Sentinel.

The Kangaroo at Bay.

When pursued, the kangaroo, if possible, directs his flight toward the river. If he reaches it, he enters, and, thanks to his great height, is able to go on foot to a depth where the dogs are obliged to swim. There he plants himself on his two hind legs and his tail, and, up to his shoulders in the water, he awaits the attack of the dogs. With his fore paws he seizes by the head the first dog that approaches him, and as he is more solidly balanced than his assailants he holds the dog's nose under water as long as he can. Unless a second dog speedily comes to the rescue the first one is sure to be drowned. If a companion arrives and by his attacks on the kangaroo manages to set the captive free, the half drowned brute is glad to regain the shore as quickly as possible. In this way a strong and courageous male kangaroo will hold his own against 20 or 30 dogs, drowning some and frightening others, and the hunter is obliged to intervene with a bullet.—Exchange.

Satisfaction.

Bignon, the Paris restaurateur, acquired a large fortune, and his wife carried on the business after his death. It is of this time that the story is told of a poor journalist who was seen in the restaurant eating a small plate of strawberries at a season when the fruit was so expensive as to be an extravagance even for the rich. An acquaintance saw the wretched penny a liner and smiled significantly. "Yes," said the journalist, "I know I shall have to pay 10 francs for these, but the right of that woman as the counter, who is worth two millions, picking over strawberries for me, who haven't got 3 louis in the world, gives me such an amount of satisfaction that the berries are worth it."—San Francisco Argonaut.

Crystallized Grasses.

Grasses may be crystallized as follows: Place a saucepan partly filled with water on the stove, and in it dissolve enough alum to make it of sufficient density to bear an egg; let this boil. Take off the saucepan and lay your grasses (dried and tied in bunches to suit the fancy) in the water. When the water is perfectly cold, lift out the bouquets, and you will find them a mass of beautiful crystal.—Kansas City Star.

Too Smart For the Doctor.

The daughter of a well known jockey was very ill, having caught a severe cold. A doctor was sent for and was buttonholed by the mother, who requested him to favor her by advising her daughter not to wear low ankled shoes.

The daughter was sent for, and, after her tongue had been given the usual out of door exercise, the man of medicine said:

"Ah, you are suffering from what we medical men call a low shoe cold, and I must prohibit you from wearing such shoes in the future."

The young lady started, and, taking off one of the offending shoes, exclaimed:

"Since you are so clever, doctor, as to look at my tongue and tell me what is amiss with my feet, will you be kind enough to look at my feet and tell me whether my fringe is properly adjusted?"

He gave up prescribing for smart girls.—London Tit-Bits.

At a German Court Martial.

Captain (presiding)—Then I am to understand that the accused offered you a cigar when you were doing sentry duty?

"Yes, your honor."

"And you declined?"

"Yes, to command, your honor."

"And what reply did he make?"

"You are an ass, your honor."—Kolnische Volksseitung.

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EUGENE FIELD INTERVIEWED.

What He Had to Say For Nine Minutes at a Reporter.

Eugene Field, the humorous poet, famous for his beautiful children's verse, I was told, had just come in from Chicago and would be at the Authors' club that night. I reached the Authors' club about 10 o'clock and learned that Field had gone.

"Where?"

"To Washington."

"What train?"

"Eleven o'clock."

I was in Jersey City and in that train at 10:50.

"Whip out your notebook and write for all you're worth," said Mr. Field, throwing himself and his bag in the seat. "You've only nine minutes. Time enough, though, for two uneventful biographies like mine."

"Never mind that. You're fond of the quaint and curious, Mr. Field. What's your fads, pets and so on?"

"Well, listen for your life now. I'm fond of dogs, birds and all small pets. My favorite flower is the carnation. My favorites in fiction are Hawthorne's 'Scarlet Letter,' 'Don Quixote' and 'Pilgrim's Progress.' I believe in ghosts, in witches and in fairies. I should like to own a big astronomical telescope and a 24 tune music box. I adore dolls. I dislike 'politics,' so called. I should like to have the privilege of voting extended to women. I am unalterably opposed to capital punishment. I favor a system of pensions for noble services in literature, art, science, etc. I approve of compulsory education. I believe in churches and schools. I hate wars, armies, soldiers, guns and fireworks. I do not care particularly for sculpture or for painting. I try not to become interested in them, for the reason that if I were to cultivate a taste for them I should presently become hopelessly bankrupt. I dislike all exercises, and I play games very indifferently. I love to read in bed. I am extravagantly fond of perfumes. My favorite color is red. I am a poor diner, and I drink no wines or spirits of any kind, nor do I smoke tobacco. I dislike crowds, and I abominate functions. I am 5 feet in height and have shocking taste in dress, but I like to have well dressed people about me. I do not love all children. I have tried to analyze my feelings toward children, and I think I discover that I love them in so far as I can make pets of them. I believe that, if I live, I shall do my best literary work when I am a grandfather."

"And how did you become a humorist, Mr. Field?" I asked, while the porter besought me with tears in his eyes to leave the train before it started.

"Oh, they're not made. They're born."

"All aboard!" And Eugene Field was gone.—Demorest's Magazine.

Missouri 40,000 Years Hence.

According to the engineers of the hydrographic bureau, the level of the gulf of Mexico is one foot higher than it was in 1859, and, of course, the encroachment on the surrounding coasts has been greater or less, pending on their character. In some places, where the marginal lands are composed of high, rocky bluffs, this change of level has gone on from year to year without attracting attention. On the other hand, many low lying points (some that were once inhabited by the primitive inhabitants or by the pioneer white settlers), are entirely submerged. The cause of this change of level has not as yet been ascertained, but it is reasonably certain that it is the result of either a settling of the dry land or of a general and uniform rising or upheaval in the gulf bed. No man who has given the matter a moment's thought will argue that there is more water in the gulf now than there was 35 years ago. On the contrary, there isn't the least doubt but that there is much less. However this may be, this aqueous encroachment is steadily maintained. Keokuk will be a deep water harbor and St. Louis and the whole of Missouri will be entirely submerged in less than 40,000 years from Jan. 1, 1895.—St. Louis Republic.

On Reading.

To sit down in a chair without an object is to jump into a thicket of temptations. A vacant hour is always the devil's hour. When time hangs heavy, the wings of the spirit flap heavily and slow. Then it is that a book is a strong tower, nay, a very church, with angels lurking among the leaves as if they were so many niches. Reading helps to make conversation harmless, by making it less petty and censorious, by furnishing us with other topics than our neighbors' faults and foibles. It is very hard for a person who does not like reading to talk much in company without sinning. Furthermore, a taste for reading often hinders our taking the wrong side in practical questions which are mooted in the world, but bear upon the church. It does this either by the information it has enabled us to obtain on the subject itself, or by making our instincts accurate and sensitive through our familiarity with right principles.—Faber.

His Ambition.

He was a pretty little youngster with little, fat legs that stuck out beneath clean, stiff starched clothes. "What are you going to do when you grow to be a man?" asked a visitor.

The little fellow's face assumed an expression of serious gravity as he responded, with a voice which was evidently shaken by old memories of the past, "Whip papa."—Tit-Bits

Jack and Jill.

Jack and Jill went up the hill
To fetch a pail of water;
Jack, he was the millionaire's son,
And Jill the milkman's daughter.
—Detroit Free Press.

UNCONSCIOUS MONOLOGISTS.

They Are Victims of the Disposition Having Oneself Talked Out.

"I cannot say whether she was the gay detailed and practical girl of my observations," said a newspaper man, "but I do not mind telling you in a general way that New Yorkers are fast becoming a race of unconscious monologists—that is, of talkers to themselves without knowing it. Go down into the business quarters of the city and just watch the people there. I have not got my perception together yet, but it is safe to say roundly that you will see nearly half the people exhibiting some of the forms of the disease for of course it is a disease. They are either moving their lips, wagging their heads, puckering their eyebrows, making gestures with their hands or doing something, while in a great number of cases they are busy carrying on imaginary conversations between themselves and somebody else, laying down the laws with much emphasis, reading the riot act to some one or else meeting imaginary issues with circumstantial replies.

"You will see men doing the same thing in hotel lobbies, in the street cars and on the up town thoroughfares. Women are falling into the habit also, but not so much as men. The other day, while I was waiting for my copy, I sat at the office window, and I declare that out of the 75 people who passed eight were showing some signs of monologania.

"Of course the primal cause of the disease is that we never allow our minds any period of repose. We are so eternally full of plans and schemes that anything like a quiescent mood is unknown, and that condition of morbid mental activity supervenes, which in turn is followed by a distinct weakening of the sensory cells, of which condition self communication is always one of the symptoms.

"At the same time it must not be overlooked that undoubtedly much of the habit is due to the fact that this city is so thundering 'all of noise that one cannot hear oneself think,' and so people have to think aloud."—New York Sun.

A Man of Prudence.

The cowboy was sitting in a chair tilted back against the shady side of the saloon taking it easy when one of his friends came by.

"Hello, Dick!" he said. "What's this story about the barkeep over the way callin you a liar yisterday and bullyraggin you around for an hour or more?"

"That's what he done," admitted Dick coldly.

"What did you let him do it for?"

"I had my reasons."

"Afraid of him?"

Dick jumped up.

"Hold on there, pard," he said. "You ain't in the same fix that the barkeep was, and it ain't safe."

"Don't you worry about me. What about the barkeep?"

"Well, it was this way," explained Dick. "The barkeep was negotiatin for a policy on his life for $10,000 in favor of his widder. The business wasn't settled till this mornin. Now it's in workin order, an I'm goin over after awhile and give him a chance to bullyrag me some more. Then I'll go round and have a little talk with the widder. You must think I'm a chump that can't see past the end of my nose."—Detroit Free Press.

Wholesale Prices Current.

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally, but in filling up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the Star will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted.

BAGGING—		
2 lb.		6
Standard	7@8	7
WESTERN SMOKED—		
Hams @ lb	12@13	14
Shoulders @ lb	8@9	11
Sides @ lb	8@9	11
Shoulders @ lb	6@6½	6½
DRY SALTED—		
Sides @ lb	6@6	7
Shoulders @ lb	6@6	
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second hand casks	1 00 @	1 10
New New York, each	1 35 @	1 40
New City, each	@	1 40
BENZOLE @ gallon	@	30
BRICKS—		
Wilmington, @ M	5 00 @	7 00
Northern	5 00 @	11 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina, @ lb	15 @	20
Northern	18 @	28
CORN MEAL—		
Meal in sacks	@	55
Virginia Meal	55 @	60
COTTON TIES—@ bundle	@	70
CANDLES—@ lb—		
Sperm	18 @	25
Adamantine	9 @	10
CHEESE @ lb—		
Northern Factory	10 @	11
Dairy, Cream	11 @	12
State	9 @	10
COFFEE—@ lb—		
Laguayra	20 @	25
Rio	15 @	19
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4, @ yard	6 @	6½
Yarns, @ bunch	18 @	90
EGGS—@ dozen	12@13	14
FISH—		
Mackerel, No. 1, @ barrel	20 00 @	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, @ half-barrel	11 00 @	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, @ barrel	16 00 @	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2, @ half-barrel	8 00 @	10 00
Mackerel, No. 3, @ barrel	13 00 @	14 00
Mullets, @ barrel	3 50 @	4 00
Mullets, @ half barrel	@	2 00
N. C. Roe Herring, @ keg	3 50 @	4 00
Dry Cod, @ lb	5 @	10
FLOUR—@ barrel—		
Western, low grade	3 00 @	3 50
" Extra	3 75 @	4 25
" Straight	3 90 @	
Second Patent	3 90 @	
First Patent	4 25 @	4 50
City Mills—Super	@	3 50
" Family	3 90 @	
GLUE—@ lb	7@8	10
GRAIN—@ bushel—		
Corn, from store, bag—White	55 @	56
Corn, from store, bag—Yellow	55 @	56
Corn, cargo, in bags—White	55 @	60
Corn, cargo, in bags—Yellow	55 @	60
Corn, shelled, from store	@	60
Oats, from store	@	50
Oats, cargo	@	45
Cow Peas	@	60
HIDES, @ lb—		
Green	@	4
Dry	@	8½
HAY, @ 100 lbs—		
Eastern	@	1 00
Western	@	90
North River	@	90
HOOP IRON, @ lb	3 @	3½
LARD, @ lb—		
Northern	6½@	7@
North Carolina	5½@	6
LIME, @ barrel		1 25
LUMBER—Delivery vessel, @ M feet—		
Ship Stuff, rough	15 00 @	20 00
Rough, Edge Plank	15 00 @	16 00
Rough Undressed Flooring, according to quality	13 00 @	18 00
Dressed Flooring, assorted	18 00 @	22 00
Ceiling and Weather Boarding	14 00 @	15 00
MOLASSES, @ gallon—		
New Crop Cuba, in hhds	@	30
" in bbls	@	32
Porto Rico, in hhds	35 @	37½
" in bbls	@	37
Sugar-House, in hhds	@	14
" in bbls	@	16
Syrup, in bbls	25 @	30
NAILS, @ keg, Cut, 60d basis	@	1 15
OILS, @ gallon—		
Linseed	48 @	54
Lard	@	90
Linseed	75 @	80
Tanners	40 @	45
Tar	@	30
Deck and Spar	@	2
POULTRY—		
Chickens, Live, grown	3½@	3½@
" Spring	20 @	30
Turkeys	8 @	1 00
PEANUTS, @ bushel	35 @	60
POTATOES, @ bushel—		
Sweet	30 @	45
Irish, @ barrel	2 50 @	3 00
PORK, @ barrel—		
City Mess	@18	00
Rump	@12	00
Prime	@11	00
RICE, Carolina, @ lb	4 @	6
Rough—@ bushel (Upland)	50 @	70
" (Lowland)	1 00 @	1 12½
RAGS, @ lb—Country	@	1½
City	@	1
ROPE, @ lb	10 @	12
SALT, @ sack—Alum	@	75
Liverpool	@	90
Lisbon	@	85
American	@	85
Turks Island	@	80
SHINGLES, 7-inch, @ M	5 00 @	7 00
Common	3 00 @	3 50
Cypress Saps	4 50 @	5 00
Cypress	@	7 00
SUGAR, @ lb—Standard Granu'd	@	6½
Standard A	@	6½
White Extra C	@	6½
Extra C, Golden	@	6
C, Yellow	@	5½
SOAP, @ lb—Northern	8½@	9
STAVES, @ M—W. O. Barrel	4 00 @	14
R. O. "	@	10
TIMBER, @ M feet—Shipping	12 00 @	13 00
Mill, Ordinary	10 00 @	11 00
Mill, Fair	11 00 @	12 00
Common Mill	8 00 @	9 00
Inferior to Ordinary	6 00 @	7 00
TALLOW, @ lb	4 @	4½
WHISKEY, @ gallon—Northern	1 00 @	2
" Rectified	15 @	90
WOOL, @ lb—Washed	18 @	20
Clean unwashed	15 @	16
Burry	@	8

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, February 13.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Firm at 29 cents per gallon. Sales at quotations.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1 05 per bbl. for Strained and $1 10 for Good Strained.

TAR—Market steady at $1 80 per bbl. of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market firm at $1 10 for Hard, $1 50 for Yellow Dip and $1 70 for Virgin.

COTTON—Dull.

Ordinary	3½	cts @ lb
Good Ordinary	3½	" "
Low Middling	4 9-16	" "
Middling	5	" "
Good Middling	5 5-16	" "

RECEIPTS.

Cotton	104 bales
Spirits Turpentine	00 casks
Rosin	1417 bbls
Tar	18 bbls
Crude Turpentine	1 bbl

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, February 13—Evening—Money on call was quoted at 1@2 per cent., with last loan at 1½ per cent., and closing offered at 1½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3½@4 per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 486¾ @487 for sixty days and 488@488¼ for demand. Commercial bills 486¾@ 486¼. Government bonds firmer. United States coupon fours 110¾; United States twos 95. State bonds dull; North Carolina fours 98, North Carolina sixes 126. Railroad bonds weaker.

Silver at the Stock Exchange to-day was 59⅞ bid.

COMMERCIAL.

NEW YORK, February 13—Evening—Cotton dull, middling gulf 5¾c, middling uplands 5¾c.

Futures closed dull, with sales of 50 000 bales; February 5 41 bid; March 5 46 April 5 49c; May 5 54; June 5 58c; July 5 61c; August 5 65c; September 5 71; October 5 77c; November 5 83c.

Net receipts —— bales; gross receipts 4,930 bales; exports to Great Britain —— bales; exports to France —— bales; exports to the Continent 85 bales; forwarded 1,044 bales; sales 800 bales, sales to spinners — bales; stock (actual) 172,686 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 20,696 bales; exports to Great Britain —— bales; exports to France —— bales; exports to the Continent 137 bales; stock 968,618 bales.

Total so far this week—Net receipts 99 880 bales; exports to Great Britain 33,781 bales; to France —— bales; to the Continent 28,511 bales; to the Channel — bales.

Total since September 1—Net receipts 6 896 102 bales; exports to Great Britain 2 5 0 763 bales; exports to France 928 733 bales; exports to the Continent 1 703 713 bales; to the Channel — bales.

Flour quiet, steady and unchanged; Southern flour dull but steady, common to fair extra $1 90@2 25, good to choice $2 30@3 85. Wheat dull and firm, No 2 red in store and at elevator 56¾c; afloat 58¾c; options advanced ¼@¾c, closed firm at yesterday's with a moderate trade; No. 2 red February 56¾c; March 57½c; May 58¾c. Corn dull and firmer; No. 2 at elevator 48¼c; afloat 49¼c; options declined ⅛c, advanced ¾@⅞c and closed firm at ¾c over yesterday, with trading fair; February 48¼; May 49c, July 49¼c. Oats quiet and firm; options dull and firmer; February 34¾c; March and May 33 ; spot No. 2 33¾c; mixed Western 34@36 cents. Hay steady, with to-day's receipts light; shipping 80@85, good to choice 70@75c. Wool quiet and firm; domestic fleece 15@19c, pulled 13@33c, Texas 9@13c,

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The Blarney Stone.

THE IRISH WEDDING.

Pat Mahony, Con Sullivan, Mick Loughlin, Pat O'Rourke,
Wid the bottle pooplin slyly from his tails, mur—
Och, they followed wid a smile each his colleen up the aisle,
And they sot down their shillalies at the tail.
And father Tom McCoy—faith, his reverence was the boy
That would hardly know the meaning of a deadlock.
So he laid them out in twos, and you'd barely wipe your shoes
Ere he had 'em n'otly j'ined in holy wedlock.
Oglin and sighin
Comes alsy as lyin,
But you'd want a shmart boy while the knot was a-lyin.

Then each bridegroom steps aside to salute his bloomin bride,
When his reverence cuts among 'em like a knife, boys.
"Is it so I see yez stand? (And he lets 'em feel the hand.)
"Each a-kissing of his neighbor's pretty wife, boys!"
Says Mahony: "Wirrasthrue! Och, whatever will I do?
Troth, I'd like to see me wake this blessed minute!
For your reverence has us mixed at the moment we was finish—
And black is agin the shade of swillest taste that's in it."
Oglin and sighin
Comes alsy as lyin,
But you'd want a shmart boy while the knot was a-lyin.

Says his reverence in a heat: "Had ye neither bark nor bleat,
And observin how undecently I'd jine yez?
Faith, I splieed ye so complete that another hair 'nd heat
His holiness the pope to disentwine yez!"
Then each bride she dropped her head, and says Andy, blushing red,
"Though they wasn't just the special girls we courted,
We're so taken wid the charms of the colleens on our arms
Faix, we'll stay the way your reverence has us sorted!"
Oglin and sighin
Comes alsy as lyin,
But you'd want a shmart boy while the knot was a-lyin.
—Terence Hourigan in New York Ledger.

THE MAJOR'S STORY.

"Yes, my hair is white for a man of my years," said he, running his shapely fingers through the snow white locks. "But, then, I have seen a great deal of the world, you know. Sometimes I think it would have been better if I had not."

"But what caused your hair to turn so white? It cannot be age, for, if I am a judge, you are not over 40." The major laughed.

"No. I was 40 on my last birthday, and my hair has been its present shade for the last ten years."

"Come, major, I'm sure there is a story here. Let's have it."

Again the major smiled, but this time a perceptible tremor shook his frame.

"I never like to think of that time," he said. "But be it as you will.

"When I was 20 years old, I was employed by Uncle Sam to scour the country for moonshiners. My territory lay mostly in the southern states. It was in 1881 that I received an order from the chief of the division to go into the Tennessee region and locate several stills that were turning out kegs of illicit liquor near Little Tucksoe. I was of a light hearted, daredevil disposition, and naturally such an order would have spurred me to my best, but on this September morning, when, leaving civilization behind, I struck the trail leading up the side of Little Tucksoe, a strange feeling of foreboding came over me. The birds twittered over my head, and the purling brook rippled beneath my feet. All nature was at her best, and yet a feeling of indescribable dread oppressed me.

"On I stumbled, deep in my gloomy meditations, when suddenly I nearly fell over a girl, clad in a single calico garment, who was kneeling beside a hawberry bush filling a pail with the fruit. The surprise was mutual, and she started up like a frightened fawn. Without disparagement of the sex I can safely say that no pioneer women exist on the continent than the average female moonshiner. As the girl turned, however, she displayed a face in pleasing contrast with the characteristic high cheek bones and 'ague' complexion of that section. Her oval features, brown as a berry, but regular in outline, set off by a pair of ruby lips and jet-black eyes, would compare favorably with those of any fashionable belle.

"'Wha' be you goin?' she asked with a startled air.

"'I am an artist,' I replied, 'come to sketch some bits of scenery. I am looking for Jerry Bowman.'

"'Wha' you want wi' him?'

"'I am going to board at his house.'

"'Huh! Then you un wants ole Hoss?'

"I was uncertain, but nodded. By this time I had drawn a packet from my pocket and began making hurried marks on it. The girl peered over my shoulder and asked:

"'How long be you un goin ter stay?'

"'Just over night,' I replied.

"She gazed at the scrawl and said:

"'Waal, I guess you un can come on.'

"Up the tortuous path, twisting now to the right and now to the left, we went, till suddenly the girl pushed aside the thick undergrowth and darted along a trail leading directly into the heart of the forest. I said not a word, but did considerable thinking as now and then a protruding hawberry brier tore its way into my flesh, or a stiff twig, bent forward by my guide with an 'sip' flew back, striking me across the face. Suddenly I heard a howling shriek. The girl gave a low, peculiar whistle, and the next instant four large curs were pawing at her feet and in a most uncomfortable manner sniffing at my heels.

"'This is pap,' the girl whispered. 'This is Ole Hoss, the man you un is a-lookin fur.'

"Whence he came and how he got there I was never able to explain to myself, but there he was, armed to the teeth, a large hunting knife in his belt, a shotgun on his shoulder and the mountaineer's grin on his face.

"'Wha' do you un want?' he demanded.

"'I am an artist,' I replied, 'and Jim Bindsoe, whom I met in the village, thought I could get board with you for a day or so.'

"'Jim's friends are mine,' he said, with a sidelong glance. 'Come on.'

"This was much easier than I had expected. Jerry, or Ole Hoss, was none other than the man I was after.

"As we emerged from the wood into the clearing a lank, slabsided specimen of humanity approached. He was about to speak to Jerry when his eyes fell upon me, and he suddenly turned away. There was something familiar in his features, but I could not place him.

"Ole Hoss passed on, and I followed him into his cabin. It was a small affair with two rooms.

"'One we uns lives in,' he explained, 'an the wimmen sleeps in t'other.'

"'Where do the men sleep?' I inquired.

"'Oh, we uns banks down thar in ther corner.'

"The 'wimmen folks' retired early that night, and I sought rest on a blanket that had evidently seen several summers and innumerable hard frosts. I was very tired, and though I intended to rise when all was quiet and take a view of the premises I fell asleep.

"I was awakened by the pressure of something cold against my forehead, and opening my eyes looked into the muzzle of a revolver, while the voice of my host said:

"'If you un move a hand, off goes your brains!'

"'What does this mean?' I demanded in my sternest tones.

"'It means that we uns are outer you un. That's all.'

"Several other figures now appeared on my couch, and my genial host said:

"'Waal, shall we uns finish him now or wait.'

"'Let's take him outside,' one suggested.

"After they had bound me hand and foot I was carried into the open air. A short consultation was held, and I caught the words, 'down ter the hut.'

"'Naw,' said one brawny fellow, 'he ain't bad ez that. Besides Pete may be mistaken.'

"His objections were resolved with murmurs of disapproval.

"'It ain't too much,' asserted my host. 'It's jest what he deserves, and it'll prove an example to the others.'

"There was some more discussion. Then I was informed that on my arrival Pete Sandford, a member of the gang, whose still I had aided in destroying some time previously, but who had escaped from the officers, had recognized me as a detective who had come under the guise of friendship to land them all in prison, and that I was to be left in the hut.

"This failed to strike terror to my soul, however, as I supposed they would merely leave me there overnight, and I should then have a possible chance of escape. Had I known the true nature of my punishment I would have begged my captors to mercifully put a bullet through my brain.

"They carried me to the hut, and one of the men carefully opened the door and peered in. He took a torch and thoroughly inspected every nook before entering. Finally, bound hand and foot, I was laid on a pile of husks in one corner. Then the men departed without even closing the door. I was highly elated at this oversight and lay endeavoring to muster strength to break my bonds when I heard a rustling, gliding sound in one corner of the room. Could it be that some other human creature was imprisoned with me? No, it must be the wind outside. Then from the long, dark opening used as a fireplace came a similar sound, another and another. What was it? What could this mean?

"Suddenly I felt something glide across my legs as they lay bound on the foot of the bed, and the awful horror of the situation that my persecutors had devised dawned on me. I was in a den of snakes. If I moved I was a dead man. Sick with terror I became unconscious.

"I awoke lying beside the road. The moon was shining full in my face, and bending over me was the girl I had met in the afternoon.

"'Twar a clus call for you un,' she said. 'I heered pap'n the fellers a-talkin ez hasow they left yer here, an when I got er chance I come to you un.'

"'How did you do it?' I gasped.

"'Heh? I'm used to snakes, but—but'—

The girl began to sob.

"'What is it?' I asked, moved by her distress.

"'I—I dassent go hum, fur dad will kill me.'

"'That's how my hair got white,' said the major.

"'But the girl?' said I.

"'Oh, she is in the next room with the children! She's my wife.'"—Exchange.

A Story of the Duke of York.

As a boy the Duke of York was thoroughly mischievous. Many of his pranks were played on that famous voyage round the world. We all know how, at a great state dinner in Hongkong, he was discovered covertly pulling the pigtails of the Chinamen butlers who were waiting at the table. Another time, I think it was at Bombay, when a large entertainment was given in honor of the young princes, between the parts of an orchestral concert, Prince George hopped away from supper to change the music of the bandmen, so that when they returned to their places a poor, bewildered flutist found the score of the cornet upon his music stand, and a violinist the page of the pianist.

But the prince had always another side to his character. An Australian bishop at whose house the princes staid for a week or two offered a Bible to both as a parting gift. Quite recently the bishop was invited to Sandringham. The Prince of Wales showed him the Bible he had given Prince George and remarked that it was well worn. "I do believe," added his royal highness, "that my son has read a chapter from the book every day since you put it in his hands."—Woman at Home.

WHAT IS GRAVITATION?

Some Examples That Seem to Answer the Weighty Question.

Two men at antipodes on the earth's surface are drawn directly toward each other. Each is at the apex of a cone of the other. These cones interlock at the earth's center and are there equal, but the greater part of the mass of each cone and consequently the greater mass of gravity holding each to his place is past the center of the earth and culminates at the feet of the other.

Every point of the earth's surface pulls in a straight line through the center of the earth, not stopping at it; losing part of the pound in proportion as it approaches the center; then, passing, regaining it again in proportion as it approaches the opposite surface. So that half way past the center the pound which at the center was nothing has now become a half pound, and at the antipodal surface a pound again.

Make the center of the earth the common apex of an indefinite number of cones radiating to the surface. According to mass, gravity pulls from the center, and the center is again the point of nugation.

If gravity is an active essence produced by molecular motion, if being a living essence, it is therefore a perishable one, it follows that in a conglomerate mass, as the earth, some substances will probably exhaust sooner than others by reason of expiration of molecular activity, if that be its producer, or from other or any cause. Being an active expending force, it must have a producer, and that producer must have supplies of force producing matter. These supplies, however great, must exhaust. Different qualities of matter may contain this force producing quality in differing degrees and qualities. If so, the minor will sooner exhaust. A feather, a leaden ball and a dry stick will fall through space to our atmosphere with equal speed because their atoms and the atoms of the earth mutually attract each other regardless of shape or size. Gravity is atomic, and every atom is the equal of every other atom, no matter how diffuse or how concrete the mass of the object of which they are parts. But the dry stick may have lost its active principle—gravity. Its essence producing principles may have been exhausted. Nevertheless it would be grasped by the overwhelming gravity of the earth and brought down in company with its fellows.

Gravity pulls laterally as well as perpendicularly. The weight of the earth has been calculated from the pull of a mountain on a plumb line.

A person standing in a narrow canyon, with walls towering hundreds or thousands of feet above him on either side, has much better footing than if on the pinnacle of a monument. In one case he is held up by lateral gravity. In the other he is without support.—R. W. Mosier in Cincinnati Enquirer.

BILL'S MESSAGE.

He Was Lonesome, and He Wanted the Widder to Know It.

The road up the mountain was hard to climb on horseback, but when I reached the top of the gap a beautiful view was spread before me. Like a strand of twisted silver the Cumberland river was woven in and out among the trees of the valley, and far, far away the green of the forests stretched until it faded into the line of the distant sky. After gazing on the magnificent scene for a few moments I got off my horse to fix my saddle girth, and while I was about it a mountaineer came out of the woods by the roadside.

"How are you?" said I. "Have you a piece of string that I can tie up this girth with?"

"Sorry, mister," said he, "but I hain't."

"How far is it to the nearest house? Maybe I can get it there."

"Like's not you kin. It's about half a mile down the mountain."

"Who lives there?"

"The Widder Blinkins."

"Not Sam Blinkins' widow?" I asked in astonishment, for only a week before I had met Sam down in Pineville in a timber trade.

"No. It's Bill's."

"I knew he had a brother, but I didn't know he was dead," said I, considerably relieved.

"He ain't dead," said he, grinning. "It's his grass widder."

"Oh, Bill has skipped, has he?"

"Well, sorter, you may say. You see, Bill's wife owned the farm, and he kinder took it easy tell she got her dander up, and then case he wouldn't work she tuck it into her head to pester the life outen him and keep him from inj'yin his rest. It kep' on from bad to wuss tell at last she tuck a club and drav Bill offen the place. And Bill told her he'd be derned ef he'd ever come back forever."

"When did all this happen?"

"Only jist this mornin."

"Well, I guess I had better stop there, had I?"

"In course, mister," he said urgently. "She ain't fierce to strangers."

With this assurance I started off, and as I turned in the road he called to me:

"Say, mister, won't you tell the widder that you seen Bill up in the mountain lookin powerful lonesome?"—Detroit Free Press.

Standing Up For His Rights.

"Have you had your gas burning all night?" asked the chambermaid, addressing Mr. Cloverbloom.

"Yep," replied that gentleman as he donned his wide brimmed felt preparatory to going down stairs.

"Then I'll have to report it at the office," returned the girl as she tripped away.

"It seems," said the clerk as he made out Mr. Cloverbloom's bill, "it seems that you kept your light burning all night. We'll have to charge for extra gas burned."

"I'll be swillgozzled if you do," said Mr. Cloverbloom.

"Why not?" asked the clerk.

"Look here, young feller, I'm not going to pay for extra gas when you give directions to keep it burning."

"We what?"

"Give directions to keep it burning. Hain't you got the sign up there, 'Don't blow out the gas?'"—New York Press.

He Was.

A dudish looking youth was walking down the Bowery looking in at the shop windows. A Bowery sport, intent on having fun with him, tapped him on the shoulder and said:

"Say, young feller! Are you wid me or agin me?"

"I'm wid you and agin you, and on to you!" replied the dudish looking youth, and when they picked up the Bowery sport and carried him away he looked as if he had mistaken a cable car for an all night owl lunch wagon.—New York Sun.

A Plot That Failed.

O'Toole—There, begorra, I've tied Barry's goat on the railroad thrack, and that train comin ull kill um.

Goat—Now, if I hadn't swallowed Mrs. Hoolihan's red petticoat yesterday I couldn't have coughed it up to flag that train.—Kate Field's Washington.

Latest In Biscuit.

Mistress—You broke my Sevres plate. You are discharged. How did you break it?

Servant—I carelessly dropped one of the biscuits you made yesterday on it.—Woonsocket (R. I.) Reporter.

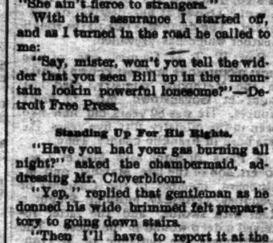
Woman Needed.

Bobby—Pop, what's a miracle?

Fond Parent—A miracle, Bobby, is that which cannot be accomplished by man alone.

Bobby—Is getting married a miracle, pop?—New York World.

Family Portraits.



"More family portraits eh?"

"Yes, Uncle Silas. You know our family came from way back."

"Waal, I come from pretty fur back myself, but durned if I ever seen sich clothes."—Scribner's Magazine.

Animals Respect One Another's Rights.

Truth forces the observer of nature to admit that birds and other creatures apportion the earth among themselves just about as man does. A bear has his boundaries beyond which his fellow bear does not trespass with impunity—the wild rabbit you see on your lawn in the moonlight is the same innocent little creature you have been seeing every night all the summer time—and even the robin that gathers the early worm for his breakfast from your garden will show fight when another comes marauding on his preserve. Nor does this last a year only, for there is good evidence that the same bird will come back to the claim it staked off the year previous.—Meehan's Monthly.

A Devotee of Browning.

"Some of Browning's works?" repeated the gentlemanly book store clerk. "Certainly, ma'am. Which volumes did you want?"

"Oh," said Mrs. Nurich languidly, "wrap me up a quarter of a dozen."—Chicago Record.

Both Wicked.

"My husband," said the large, fleshy lady, "has a habit of marking paragraphs in the paper that say mean things about women."

"So you will not fail to see them, eh? Still that is not as mean a trick as mine plays. He cuts them all out. Then I have to get another paper only to find that I have been fooled again."—Indianapolis Journal.

A Test Fair of Clothes.

A Jacksonville lawyer appeared before his friends in a new and costly suit of clothes recently. When he named the price, a bystander exclaimed:

"Whew! I haven't had that much cash in a month of Sundays."

"Cash!" exclaimed the lawyer. "Why, I got it on credit, and I shan't lose any sleep if I never pay for it. I think ture about's fair play, and the other fellow can afford to do without it." And, lifting himself to his full height and buttoning his coat across his chest, he continued: "No, gentlemen, I never intend to wear a shabby suit. A man just can't afford to do it. Nobody has any respect for shabbiness. Why, I couldn't gain a case if I wore shabby clothes if I had the eloquence of a Demosthenes or Cicero, not if all the law and the prophets were on my side. A jury just wouldn't respect me enough to listen to me, and the judge himself would give his decision according to my outward appearance. No, sir, a man can't afford to wear shabby clothes."—Atlanta Constitution.

Dog Is Not Bad Eating.

There is actually nothing in the flesh of the dog that is distasteful or repulsive. Lewis and Clark, the explorers, who learned to eat it through compulsion, actually became fond of it in time. It is not generally known that it is still a favorite article of diet among certain people, but a French paper says that the number of dogs slaughtered at the abattoirs in Munich has increased amazingly in the past few months. The taste for dog flesh is said to have been imported by Italian laborers, who have recently come in large numbers to the Bavarian capital. The meat is used not only as an adulterant for sausages, but is eaten openly, under its own name, prepared in various ways.—Christian Advocate.

Soothing.

Doctor—Your husband, madam, is suffering from nervous prostration.

Madam—Yes, sir.

Doctor—And he needs something to quiet him. What is his business?

Madam—He is a waiter, sir.

Doctor—Well, slip a few pence into his hand every two hours during the night, and I'll call again in the morning. Good day.—London Tit-Bits.

The battle of Wartburg is no deadly conflict, but an annual singing contest for a prize founded by Hermann, margrave of Wartburg, in the twelfth century.

The Missisquoi, in Vermont, took its name from the abundance of waterfowl. The word means "many ducks."

Queer Ways of the Toad.

Paternal affection is not perhaps the precise emotion that we should be disposed to look for in the cold blooded frog. But the Surinam toad appears to exhibit this praiseworthy attitude of mind toward his numerous progeny. When his mate lays her eggs, the solicitous father places them carefully upon her back, where in due time their presence causes an irritation that produces numerous small holes, into which the eggs forthwith drop. In these cells, which, from mutual pressure, get to be hexagonal, like honeycomb, the young frogs are finally hatched, and for a bit scramble about their mother's back, hiding in their nurseries when danger threatens.—London News.

Newbern, N. C., was named after Bern in Switzerland by Baron de Graffenredt, a Swiss, who founded the town in 1720.

A Wise Man.

He (disagreeably)—What the mischief is the matter with this dinner?

She (mildly)—I cooked it, dear.

He—Well, I was wondering what made it so much better than usual.—Detroit Free Press.

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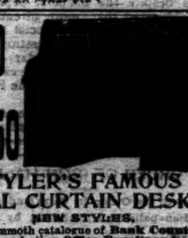

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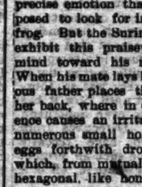

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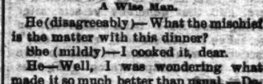

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Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 7.00 a m, arrive Parmele 8.40 a m, Tarboro 9.50; returning leaves Tarboro 4.50 p m; Parmele 6.10 p m, arrives Washington 7.30 p m. Daily except Sunday. Connects with trains on Scotland Neck Branch.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, at 5.00 p m; Sunday 3.00 p m; arrive Plymouth 9.00 p m, 5.30 p m. Returning, leave Plymouth daily except Sunday 9.00 a m, Sunday 9.30 a m; Arrive Tarboro 10.25 a m and 11.45 a m.

Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 4.05 a m; arrive Smithfield, N. C., 7.30 a m. Returning, leaves Smithfield, N. C., 3.00 a m; arrive Goldsboro, N. C., 9.30 a m.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 1.00 p m, arrives Nashville 3.05 p m, Spring Hope 3.35 p m. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 9.1 a m, Nashville 9.35 a m; arrive Rocky Mount 9.05 a m, daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton Daily except Sunday at 4.30 p m; returning leave Clinton at 7.30 a m., connecting at Warsaw with main line trains.

Trains on South and North Carolina Railroad leave Atkins at 9.40 a m and 6.30 p m; arrive Lucknow 1.10 a m and 8 p m; returning leave Lucknow 6.45 a m and 4.30 p m; arrive Atkins 8.15 a m and 5.50 p m.

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Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 2.05 p m, 12.05 p m, arrive Selma 3.35 p m, Smithfield 3.45 p m, Dunn 3.54 p m, Fayetteville 4.45 p m, 12.55 a m, Row and 5.5 p m leave Rowland 6.20 p m, Fayetteville 10.10 a m, 9.10 p m, Dunn 11.03 a m, 9.57 p m, Selma 11.9 a m, arrive Wilson 12.40 p m, 10.15 p m.

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SOUTHERN RAILWAY CO.

Conference Between Officers and Employes—A Statement Submitted by the Company Under Consideration by Trainmen.

[By Telegraph to the Morning Star.]

WASHINGTON, February 13.—The expected conference between the officers of the Southern Railway Company and their employes in an endeavor to finally arrange their difficulties, took place here to-day. Mr. Baldwin, third Vice-President met the committee at 4 30 p. m. The meeting was entirely harmonious. In its answer to the request of the men for a restoration of the wages paid in 1891, the Southern Railway Company has adopted a method of treatment of this subject different, it is believed, from any heretofore used in a thorough and exhaustive analysis of the commercial conditions affecting the question of wages, and the relative position of railroad employes as compared with those engaged in other industries, publishing the result in pamphlet addressed to the engineers, firemen, conductors and trainmen, which contains the reasons why the company is unable to make general increases at present. This pamphlet was delivered to the employes' committee to-day. The communication is signed by President Spencer and Vice President Baldwin, and explains that inequalities of pay and service exist in consequence of the previous separate control and management of the several component parts of the system and these are to be equalized. The changes made on this account are increased in every case and apply chiefly to the employes receiving the small pay of $65 a month, those receiving less than that amount on the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia lines having had their wages reduced more than those on the Richmond & Danville. This inequality is corrected by the new schedule.

Attention is called to the general depression existing in all branches of industry in the South, and the consequent curtailment of the earning power of all individuals and corporations, and to the fact that amid this shrinkage, which is almost universal, railroad employes have borne a smaller proportionate reduction.

In conclusion, it is stated that the old schedule required sixty days notice of any proposed changes, and that, therefore, the new schedule will not take effect before May 1st, unless the men desire an earlier date.

The committee of the Trainmen's Association took the statement under consideration.

THE BOND ISSUE.

Members of the Syndicate Depositing Gold at the New York Sub-Treasury.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—The members of the bond syndicate began to deposit gold at the sub-Treasury this afternoon instead of at the Assay office. The methods of keeping two accounts, one at the sub-Treasury, and other at the Assay office was confusing, and on instructions from Washington the sub-Treasury took the deposits this afternoon and also weighed the gold. Before this the transfer of accounts, $845,000 were received at the Assay office, and $3 800,000 additional deposited at the sub-Treasury making a total of $8 015,000 gold deposited in nineteen lots since Monday morning.

The authorities also declined to give the names of the depositors to day, it is said, on request of the managers of the syndicate. Of the amounts deposited to-day, however, it is known that Harvey Fisk & Son, Blair & Co. and Kuhn, Loeb & Co. were each credited with $300 000. The bond syndicate was completed to-day and allotments made. The managers declined to give a list of the members for "business reasons." Each member agrees to secure his gold in the open market and pledges his good faith that the gold shall not be drawn directly or indirectly from the sub-Treasury.

GRAIN AND PORVISIONS.

Wheat Dull and Lower—Corn Closed Higher—Pork Products Quiet and Firm.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, February 13.—Wheat received transitory relief from the monotony caused by dullness and heavy declining prices when about the middle of the session Liverpool reported an advance of ½@¾d; corn also throwing some of its strength into the market. There was but scant encouragement for the bulls, taking everything as a whole, and the temporary relief proved unavailing and unsubstantial. May wheat opened from 58⅝ to 58¾c, sold between 58¾@58⅞c and 58¼c, closing at 58⅜c, ½c under Monday. Cash wheat was steady.

Corn—The trading in corn was depressingly dull during the early hours of the session, most of the business being of a local scalping order and very light at that. About the middle of the session there was a unanimous movement by shorts to cover up their trades, St. Louis reporting a sale of 200 000 bushels cash corn for shipment East, and at the same time sending some buying orders in this market. Before the close prices eased off some from the top. May corn opened at 44¼c, sold between 44⅜c and 45⅜c, closing at 44⅞@45c—¼@⅜c higher than Monday. Cash corn was ¼@½c per bushel lower.

Fluctuations in oats seemed to take place under protest. Bradstreet's reported a decrease of 700 000 bushels in stocks. May closed ⅛@¼c higher than on Monday. Cash oats were easy and ½c per bushel lower.

Provisions were firm and higher; the run of hogs was light, and the market at the yards both yesterday and to day was higher. The feeling was extended into the product trade, prices maintaining a firm tone throughout. The packers bought fair quantities and shorts did a moderate amount of covering. Liverpool was easy. Domestic markets were quiet and firm.

Tuesday night a meteor caused a panic across the Northern part of Georgia. The flash was accompanied by a loud rumbling noise. Houses trembled as though shaken by an earthquake. Those who saw the brilliant illumination and felt the swaying of the buildings supposed that either a terrific explosion had occurred or that it was an earthquake with a volcanic eruption.

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CONGRESS YESTERDAY.

SENATOR VILAS' BILL TO AUTHORIZE ISSUE OF GOLD BONDS

Re-introduced in the Senate—Sherman's Substitute for the Free Coinage Bill—Postoffice Appropriation Bill Discussed—Government Financial Matters Debated in the House.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—During the morning hour proceedings in the Senate, and when the Vice-President called for "bills and joint resolutions" Mr. Vilas (Dem., Wis.) re-introduced a bill entitled "to save the people of the United States $16,170,770," and he asked that it be read in full and lay on the table for the present. The bill recites that the President of the United States has advised Congress in his communication of February 3rd that he had completed an arrangement with parties able to fulfil their undertaking, for the purchase of $65,000,000 in gold coin, in return for 4 per cent. twenty year bonds "payable in coin," but that he had reserved the privilege of substituting 5 per cent. "gold bonds" for them at an annual saving in interest of $589,159, and for the whole thirty years of $16,170,770. It therefore authorizes the issue of 5 per cent. bond not exceeding in the aggregate $65 000,000, running for thirty years, principal and interest payable in gold coin.

In a subsequent part of the proceedings Mr. Hill expressed the opinion that instead of being laid on the table, it should be placed on the Calendar, from which it could be taken by motion and brought before the Senate directly for action, without reference to any committee. Acquiescence in this view was expressed by Mr. Vilas, but a positive objection to that course was interposed by Mr. Teller. The rules were appealed to, and it turned out that under one of them an objection to the request that a bill lie on table caused its reference to the Calendar. Such objection was promptly made by Mr. Lodge, and therefore the Vice-President announced that the bill had gone to the Calendar.

Mr. Sherman introduced a substitute for the bill reported yesterday from the Finance Committee for the free coinage of silver, and at his request it was read in full and laid on the table.

The first section provides that, to provide for and maintain the redemption of the United States notes, according to the provisions of the act of January 14, 1875, the Secretary of the Treasury may issue, sell and dispose of, at not less than par in gold coin, either of the description of bonds authorized in that act, bearing not to exceed 5 per cent. interest, payable semi-annually and redeemable at the pleasure of the United States in gold coin, after five years from date.

The second section authorizes the issue of 5 per cent. "certificates of indebtedness," payable in lawful money to provide for a temporary deficiency in the revenue.

The Senate spent most of the day in further discussion of the amendment to the Postoffice Appropriation bill, looking to the reduction of the rates now paid to railroad companies for the transportation of the mails of the United States. A modification pending to the amendment reported from the Committee on Appropriations requires a reduction of at least 10 per cent. and another proposition is pending offered by Mr. Vilas (Dem., Wis.) looking to the purchase, ownership and management of the railway postal cars by the Government. In view of Mr. Vilas' experience as Postmaster-General in President Cleveland's first administration, his statements and arguments were of much interest and importance. The question, however, went over without any action except that an agreement that a vote will be taken on it at 3 p. m. to-morrow. The Senate at 6 p. m. adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The House was principally occupied to-day in considering business relating to the District of Columbia, but room was found in that discussion for the introduction of a resolution by Mr. Van Voorhis (Rep., N. Y) bearing on the Government financial matter, the main tenor of which was to request a report from the Committee on Ways and Means of the testimony, evidence and statements made by Secretary Carlisle before that committee yesterday regarding the recent bond contract.

Mr. Wilson, the chairman of the committee, assured Mr. Van Voorhis that he had a copy of the contract in his pocket, and would at the proper time present it. This was done later in the shape of a report from the Ways and Means Committee on the President's message relating to the $62 000 000 bond contract, and which report contained a copy of the contract. It was soon evident that there was a disposition to know what the minority of the committee thought of the matter, and the House adopted a motion which will allow them to present their views on the subject to-morrow. The report was ordered printed and referred to the union calendars.

The House at 5 05 p. m. adjourned until to-morrow.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

The House Ways and Means Committee Agree to Report a Resolution Authorizing the Issue of Gold Bonds.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, February 13.—The House Ways and Means Commitee to-day agreed to report the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and is hereby authorized to issue and dispose of, at not less than par in gold coin, bonds of the United States, with the quality privileges and exemptions of bonds issued under the act approved July 14, 1890, entitled: "An act authorizing the refunding of the National debt, to an amount not exceeding $65,116 275, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding 5 per cent. per annum, principal and interest payable in gold of the present standard of weight and fineness, said bonds to be made payable not more than thirty years after the date. Provided, however, that no part of the proceeds of the sale of such bonds nor of the notes redeemed with such proceeds shall be available for the payment of the currency expenses of the Government. The resolution was adopted by a vote of 8 to 5.

Immediately after taking this vote the committee adjourned. The report accompanying the resolution will be written by Mr. Wilson, West Virginia, chairman of the committee. There was some discussion when the committee first met over the resolution introduced yesterday by Mr. Wheeler, of Alabama, which characterized the issuance of gold bonds as an abandonment of the principle of bi-metallism and contention being that no nation has ever issued a gold bond. He said that Secretary Carlisle had said this in answer to a query addressed to him yesterday by Mr. Wheeler, when the Secretary was before the committee.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 13.—Spirits turpentine dull and firm at 31@31¼c. bid. Rosin quiet and steady; strained common to good $1 35@1 40.

CHARLESTON, February 13—Spirits turpentine quiet at 27c; receipts — casks. Rosin firm; good strained $1 05; receipts 100 barrels.

SAVANNAH, February 13.—Spirits turpentine quiet at 29c for regulars; sales — casks; receipts 104 casks; stock 8 498 bales. Rosin in fair demand; sales 1 500 barrels, receipts 1,539 barrels; stock 174,719 barrels.

GAS EXPLOSION.

A Residence Wrecked and Burned—One Man Killed—Three Others Severely Injured.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MEADVILLE, PA., Feb. 13.—A gas explosion, followed by fire, completely wrecked the residence of G. H. Cutter, the lumber office building of Cutter & Bro., and caused the death of George Cutter and serious injuries to his wife, son and housemaid. There had been for some time a leak in the fuel gas supply pipe in the street, and this morning at 8 o'clock George H. Cutter, Willard Cutter, Charles Cutter, son of Geo. Cutter and W. M. McClintock were in front examining the leak. A locomotive and caboose passed and the gas ignited from the engine's fire-box. Two deafening explosions followed completely wrecking the two story residence which fell as if it was a heap of rubbish and kindling wood. The warehouse and office ruins took fire instantly. The flow of gas added to the fire, and in less than five minutes nearly the entire mass was in a blaze. Mrs. Cutter and the servant girl, who were in the house, were badly burned and injured, but will probably live. The boy Charles was fastened in the wreck by a huge timber which rested on his leg. It was thought that his leg would have to be cut off, but a persistent effort was made to fight the flames away from him, and by heroic work the firemen were given time enough to secure powerful jackscrews and he was liberated. It was necessary to cover him with clothing to protect him from the heat of the fire which was but a few feet away. All three victims were taken to Spencer Hospital. Wm. Cutter was badly burned by the explosion, and was thrown clear across the street. Charles was also hurt but not seriously. George Cutter, who died shortly after the explosion, was badly mangled. He was carried to a neighbor's house and died in a few minutes.

KNIGHTS OF LABOR.

The Miners' Committee Unable to Reach An Agreement—Probabilities That a New Organization Will be Formed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, Feb. 13.—From the best information obtainable, it seems almost certain that the committee of Knights of Labor miners will be unable to reach any agreement in the formation of plans to be submitted to the convention regarding their future attitude toward the General Assembly of the Knights of Labor, and that after all the convention will have to settle the matter for itself. There is a strong impression, however, that the secessionists will finally carry their point, and that a new organization will be formed. A dispatch was received from Pittsburg last night stating that District No. 3, Knights of L., had been suspended for insubordination, and would go over to the McBryde new organization. This information had the effect of adding considerable strength to the movement to establish the new Order, Knights of L. C. R. Martin stated that District No. 3 was composed of fully 3,000 members, and was one of the first in the Order.

SPOTS AND FUTURES.

The New York Sun's Review of the Cotton Market—Manchester Markets.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—The *Sun* says: Cotton declined 1 to 2 points, but recovered this and advanced 2 to 3 points closing dull, with sales of 50 000 bales. Liverpool was steady and unchanged on the spot: with sales of 10 000 bales; futures declined 1½ points, but closed quiet and steady at a loss of only one point for the day. In Manchester yarns were quiet; cloths irregular. New Orleans advanced 3 points on May. Spot cotton here and at the South was generally dull and unchanged. No sales here. Manchester took 1 500 bales and New Orleans 5 400. The New Orleans estimated receipts to morrow are 3 000 to 5,000 bales, against 5,345 last Thursday and 3 004 last year. At the ports 20,968 bales came to hand, against 23,083 this day last week and 9 575 last year; thus far this week 96 889 bales, against 106,395 thus far last week. The semi-weekly interior receipts telegraphed from New Orleans were 31 000 bales against 41 000 for the same time last week, 16 000 last year, and 36 000 in 1892; shipments 35 000 bales, against 38 000 for the same time last week, 23 000 year and 41,000 in 1892. The Assistant Secretary of the Exchange figures that the Bureau report indicates on the basis of unpublished towns having the same stock as published, and 200,000 bales in in transit.

A crop this year of 9 350 000 bales; same months last year indicated 7 316 000, in 1893 6 700 000; in 1893, 9 034 000; in 1891, 8 600 000, in 1890, 7,413 000 Ellis shows for four years an average under estimate of 77 000, while in February 1890, there was an over estimate of 102 000 bales. Silver in London 1 16d higher. The New York warehouse stock is 143 000 bales against 245 000, 293 000 883, 000, 107 000, and 110,000 in previous five years.

The effect of the decline in Liverpool was seen to-day in a slight fall of prices here, but it was soon succeeded by a moderate advance, due to several causes. A great many of the room operators who went short on a small scale yesterday, concluded to cover to-day when they saw that the estimated receipts at New Orleans to-morrow were small. New Orleans sent some buying orders and perhaps the action of the Ways and Means Committeem at Washington in regard to an issue of gold bonds may have had a slightly strengthening effect. But there is no doubt that many of the room traders were disappointed at finding so little disposition to-day to sell. The fact is that the generality of operators are inclined to conservatism just now in their operations on either side of the market.

MANCHESTER, February 13.—The *Guardian*, in its commercial article, says: The market is devoid of special feature. Business of a partial and uneventful character has prevailed at intervals for some time, and in some quarters it has been fairly extensive. Judging from the low and irregular market, sellers have to take orders in quantities upon a very low basis. The depleted order list among producers for India and some other sections is probably the weakest point of the market. Though the engagements in some important staples for China and the far East are more satisfactory, manufacturers with moderate engagements are firm. Many eager sellers are prepared to accept reasonable proposals, the scarcity of which is forcing more looms into idleness. In yarn there is little demand. The tendency is irregular and against sellers.

A notice was posted on the Chicago Exchange just before the close of the Board of Trade yesterday that the directors had passed a resolution making purchases or sales by any members during trading hours, originating in "puts or calls" a dishonorable act and punishable accordingly.

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FIRE IN COTTON CARGO.

AN IMPORTANT DISCOVERY AT NEW ORLEANS

That May Explain the Cause of Many Mysterious Conflagrations on Cotton-Laden Ships Leaving That and Other Ports.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, February 13.—Peter Oakes, alias Oates, who was arrested last evening on the levee at Southport and is charged with having, with the assistance of two or more conspirators or confederates unknown, cut open the ends of two bales of cotton ready to be stored on the steamer Floridian and secreting therein a quantity of combustible material for the purpose of blowing up the vessel, or destroying the same by fire, was arraigned before Commissioner Wight this morning and entered a plea of not guilty to the charges pending. The act for which Oakes is held to answer in violation of section 5384 of the Revised Statutes of the United States. The prisoner, in consequence was placed under appearance bond in the sum of $5 000 When the Judge pronounced the size of the bond the accused stated that it was unnecessary to make the bond so heavy as he was a stranger in town, and a bond of $100 would serve as well. The Commissioner replied that it was not his business to know what amount of bond the person was able to supply, therefore the bond would remain as first fixed.

Oakes has the appearance of a hard-looking customer, with a face on him that probably will not prove of great benefit in his behalf when he is called to take a look at the jury. He evidently is a man beyond the meridian of life, and says he has not been in the city more than two months, and came here from Savannah. He claims that he is not a member of any of the various labor organizations, but admits that he knows something about loading cotton on board of ships.

The sticks taken from the two bales of cotton, wrapped up in wet cloth and which were first generally thought to be dynamite, proved to day to have been composed of phosphorous, and it was therefore probably the intention of the perpetrator, not to blow up the ship or injure any of the workmen employed in loading the ship but evidently to destroy the cotton in the vessel by fire. The combustible matter was carefully laid upon the back of one of the largest records books in the Marshal's office last night with a glass covering it, so that no one would become endangered by interfering with it. This morning it was found that the stuff concealed in the wrapping had caught fire during the night, and there was nothing left but the charred remains.

For some time past steamship burning has been a frequent occurrence at Savannah and the various steamship companies doing business at that point have expended large sums in attempting to ferret out the guilty parties, but it seems that the conspiracy was so thoroughly organized that until now it has proven impossible to even apprehend any of the burners. Detectives from Savannah, it is said, have recently visited New Orleans on such an errand, but as usual could not locate or effect a capture.

It is, therefore, the general supposition that the man who is now under arrest here, and who goes by the name of Oakes and states that he came from Savannah, belongs to the conspiracy which has so long made that port quite risky for vessels to receive cargoes from. However, the proof does not sustain such a theory. The fact that there have been a number of fires on ships and here, and that generally vessels, after leaving here have been discovered on fire, taken in connection with to day's discovery, would seem to bear out the theory that a ship-burning gang has been at work.

B'NAI BRITH.

Reports of Officers Showing Condition of the Order and Its Growth.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, GA., February 13.—The second day's session of the B'Nai Brith for this district began at 10 o'clock, and the morning session was devoted to the transaction of routine business. The officers' reports for the past year showed the finances of the order to be in splendid condition. The Convention consumed most of the day in secret session Moultrie Mordecai, the retiring President, gave a resume of his administration and stated that the order had grown during the past two years despite the financial depression. He suggested that more attention be paid to the fraternal and social features of the order, and the question of endowment should be a secondary consideration. He also suggested the establishment of Rebecca Lodges for the Hebrew women of the country.

To signal the delegates were tendered a public reception at Concordia Hall. The Convention will adjourn to-morrow.

ORDER OF IRON HALL.

Funds of the Order in Maryland Sent to Indianapolis for Distribution by the Receiver.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

BALTIMORE, February 13.—It is announced here to-day that the funds in Maryland of the Order of the Iron Hall will be sent to Indianapolis for distribution by Receiver Falley. In October last Judge Dennis drew up a decree which was submitted to the Indianapolis Court containing the conditions under which the funds in this State would be placed at the disposal of the General Receiver of the Order. The stipulations were briefly that the Maryland members were to be allowed the same dividends and the same privileges as members in other States. These conditions have been agreed to, and Judge Dennis will, in a day or two sign an order transferring about $80,000 to the general fund. It is thought that the claimants in this State will fare much better under the general distribution than would have been the case had the Maryland funds been divided among them.

FIRE AT COLUMBUS, OHIO.

One of the Oldest Buildings in the City Burned—Loss $65,000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBUS, February 13.—Fire destroyed one of the oldest business buildings of this city to-night. The fire broke out at 5.50 p. m. in the elevator shaft of the Lieng-Ferson block, a four-story stone front at High and Elm street, and in a few minutes the entire building was in flames. The entire fire department was called out and the water towers were soon brought into play.

The flames spread with startling rapidity, and were only conquered after three hours' hard fighting by the firemen. The building was completely gutted. It was filled with some of the largest stores and offices in the city, and the total loss is estimated at $65,000.

The heaviest losers were the three firms on the lower floors. Nasbrouck & Kyers, loss $45,000, partially covered by insurance; Siebert & Esill, shoes, about $10 000, insured; Nancroft & McElroy, insurance agents, loss not known.

Gen. James Neil Bethune, a distinguished Georgian, who was the owner and for many years the manager of "Blind Tom," the famous negro pianist, died at his son's residence, Washington, D. C., aged 91 years.

THE WAR IN THE EAST.

The Chinese Admiral Abandons for a Surrender of Wei-Hai-Wei and Forts at Wei-Hai-Wei.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, February 13.—A dispatch from Tokio to the *Central News* says: "A report has been received at the Naval Department from Wei-Hai-Wei, under the date of February 12, that the Chinese gunboats in the harbor under the protection of a flag of truce conveyed to the Japanese fleet a proposal by Admiral Ting to surrender all of the Chinese ships, arms, forts, etc., providing the lives of the crews, soldiers and foreigners were guaranteed. Under these conditions the terms of a formal surrender are being arranged. The Chinese defence of the position at Wei Hai-Wei, the report adds, has been a gallant one throughout.

General Oyama reports that in the fighting since January 20th the Japanese have lost 88 killed 319 wounded, and the Chinese 700 in killed alone. The number of their wounded is not stated.

WARM WHEELETS.

Beaufort, N. C., pilots report all buoys on the bar there out of position. Vessels coming in will have to take pilots, as the buoys are from fifty to seventy yards out of place.

A Chicago dispatch says Geo. M. Pullman appeared before Judge Grosscup in chambers and was exonerated from the charge of attempting to evade the order of the court.

Hampton Roads is covered with floating ice which is coming out of the James river from six to eight inches thick, and which extends outside the Capes. The telephone cable to Norfolk is broken.

An amendment to the Naval Appropriation bill, appropriating $300,000 for repairing and reconstructing the old war-ship Constitution, was favorably reported to the Senate yesterday from the Naval Affairs Committee.

The Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia endorsed the movement in favor of converting the Appomattox battle-field into a national military park, and urges its subordinate Camps to pass resolutions on the subject.

The missing steam ship St. Augustine, from Jacksonville to New York lumber-laden, about which some uneasiness has existed, owing to her being five days overdue, arrived at her destination yesterday. The delay was due to the rough weather which has prevailed.

Rev. W. T. D. Clemm, one of the most picturesque and best known figures in the Methodist ministry, died last night at Govanstown, Md., of heart trouble. He was 80 years old and had been in the ministry fifty-five years. He was born in Franklin county, Tenn.

A Paris dispatch says Marcel Canrobert, son of the late Marshal, and M. Hubbard, member of the Chamber of Deputies, yesterday morning fought a duel with swords, and the latter received a deep wound in the chest. The meeting was the outcome of M. Hubbard's criticism of Marshal Canrobert in the Chamber of Deputies during the debate on the proposed grant for a state funeral for the Marshal.

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Annual Meeting of Stockholders Adjourned to March 15.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEWARK, N. J., February 13.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the American Tobacco Co., called for this afternoon in the office of Parker & Depue, Prudential building, was adjourned to March 15th. Of the 818 000 shares in round numbers, constituting a quorum, about 800 000 were represented. Four directors are to be elected. The names presented are: George Arents, Benjamin Duke, Geo. W. Gaila and Josiah Browne.

When Secretary Browne was asked by a reporter for the cause of the fluctuations in the stock to-day he said: "I do not know, and don't care. That is Wall street. Our business is to make dividends for the shareholders."

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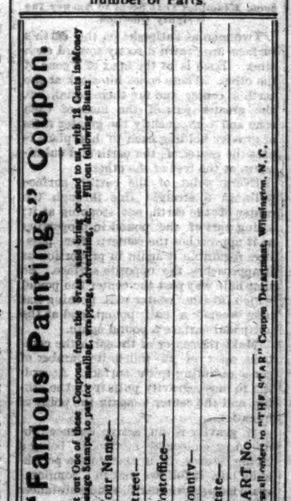

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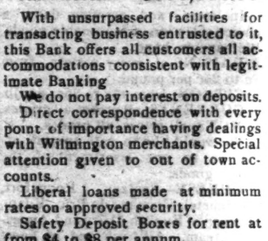

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